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27 May 1947

MEMORANDUM TO COL. LAWRENCE K. WHITE

Subject: Request of Department of Justice for Witnesses

1. Reference is made to our telephone conversations concerning the above subject. As you know, the Department of Justice informally requested this agency to make available six persons as witnesses at a trial to commence on 2 June 1947 in Boston. It is understood that Mr. [redacted] left Washington this morning for Boston to render certain services to the prosecution. It was at first requested that the remaining five persons be present in Boston on 2 June 1947. These persons are [redacted]

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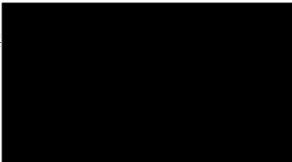
2. In view of the difficulties that would be involved if these persons were taken from their duties for a period of days, this office requested the Department of Justice to stagger their appearance as witnesses. We were advised that this was impossible for certain reasons. It was then suggested that GIC hold these persons in readiness and send them to Boston upon notification by the District Attorney involved that their appearance would be necessary the next day. After some discussion, this suggestion was adopted, and Mr. Nathan Franke advised the undersigned that the five persons remaining here would not travel to Boston until Franke notified the undersigned that their appearance is necessary. This appears to be the best solution, since the Department of Justice has hinted at the use of a subpoena. It does not appear that the witnesses will be required for testimony for more than one day.

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3. [redacted] has informed the undersigned that the formal request from the Justice Department was received in his office this morning and that he would notify the proper persons to complete arrangements concerning travel orders and transportation requests. As stated above, when Franke calls me, I shall notify you when the appearance of the witnesses is desired.

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Assistant General Counsel

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